
section 10

International
Passenger Travel
Between North
America and the
Rest of the World

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Passenger Travel Between North America and the Rest of the World by Mode of Transportation

(Thousands of visitors)

	1990	1995	1996
Canada			
Travel to Canada (nonresident visitors)			
All modes	3,185	4,257	4,697
Air	2,154	2,918	3,215
Land	992	1,299	1,432
Water	39	41	50
Travel From Canada (Canadian resident reentries)			
All modes	3,153	3,543	3,672
Air	3,139	3,531	3,665
Land	2	NS	NS
Water	11	12	7
Mexico			
Travel to Mexico (nonresident visitors)			
All modes	560	931	822
Air	410	719	723
Land	91	105	99
Water	59	107	U
Travel From Mexico (Mexican residents)			
All modes	300	249	307
Air	296	246	304
Land	4	3	3
Water	U	U	U
United States			
Travel to the United States (nonresident visitors)			
All modes	N	N	N
Air	15,059	20,639	22,658
Land	N	N	N
Water	N	N	N
Travel From the United States (U.S. residents)			
All modes	N	N	N
Air	15,990	19,059	19,786
Land	N	N	N
Water	N	N	N

KEY: N = Data are nonexistent. NS = Not significant. U = Data are unavailable.

NOTES

All Countries

Canadian, Mexican and U.S. data in this table do not include international travel within North America.

Data in this table are based on the traveler's country of residency.

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by Mode of Transportation—Continued****Canada**

Travel to Canada: Represents nonresident visitors to Canada, excluding residents of the United States and Mexico.

Travel from Canada: Data are based on Canadian resident reentry data. Canadian resident reentry data represent Canadian residents returning from international destinations, other than the United States or Mexico. The reentry of Canadian residents to Canada may be made directly from an overseas country or via the United States. Canadian resident reentry data are similar but not exactly comparable with U.S. resident departure data. This is because Canadian residents may not necessarily leave and return by the same modes of transportation, and because Canadian residents could depart Canada in one calendar year and return in another.

Mexico

Travel to Mexico: Represents nonresident visitors to Mexico, excluding residents of Canada and the United States.

Travel from Mexico: Represents Mexican residents departing for international destinations other than Canada or the United States.

United States

Travel to the United States: Represents nonresident visitors to the United States, excluding residents of Canada and Mexico.

Travel from the United States: Represents U.S. residents departing for international destinations other than Canada or Mexico.

SOURCES**Canada**

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Statistics Canada. Special tabulations. (Ottawa, Ont.: 1998).

Mexico

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United States

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Top International Origins and Destinations Outside of North America: 1996

(Thousands of visitors)

	Total		Total		Total
Canada		Mexico		United States	
Country of origin		Region of origin		Country of origin	
United Kingdom	691	Central and South America	437	Japan	5,183
Japan	648	Europe	341	United Kingdom	3,246
France	460	Other (Australia and Africa)	44	Germany	1,997
Germany	447	Asia	U	France	987
Hong Kong	199			Brazil	848
South Korea	159			South Korea	749
Australia	149			Italy	525
Taiwan	132			Venezuela	447
Netherlands	114			Australia	463
Switzerland	107			Netherlands	440
Destination country		Region of destination		Destination country	
United Kingdom	737	Europe	181	United Kingdom	2,869
France	424	Central and South America	88	France	1,860
Germany	236	Other (Australia and Africa)	26	Germany	1,642
Cuba	222	Asia	12	Bahamas	1,504
Italy	183			Italy	1,385
Netherlands	177			Jamaica	1,029
Hong Kong	157			Japan	871
Switzerland	123			Netherlands	772
Dominican Republic	112			Hong Kong	752
Spain	92			Switzerland	693

KEY: U = Data are unavailable.

NOTES: Country/region of origin: Canadian data exclude residents of the United States and Mexico, even if the travel of a U.S. or Mexican resident originated in a third country, such as the United Kingdom. U.S. data exclude residents of Canada and Mexico, even if the travel of a Canadian or Mexican resident originated in a third country, such as the United Kingdom. Mexican data exclude residents of Canada and the United States and are only available at the regional level.

Destination country/region: Travel to countries within North America is excluded.

SOURCES

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Statistics Canada. *International Travel, Travel between Canada and other countries (Touriscope)*, Catalogue No. 66-201-XPB. (Ottawa, Ont.: 1998).

Statistics Canada. Special tabulations. (Ottawa, Ont.: 1998).

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Banco de México. Dirección General de Investigación Económica. Dirección de Medición Económica. (Mexico City, D.F.: 1999).

United States

U.S. Department of Commerce. International Trade Administration. Tourism Industries Office. *Summary of International Travelers to the U.S. and 1996 Outbound Travel*. (Washington, DC: 1997).

t a b l e 10-3

Top International Air Gateways, Excluding North American Travel: 1996

(Thousands of passengers)

Gateway city	Total	Gateway city	Total
Canada		United States	
Total, Number of air passengers with international origins and destinations	C	Total, number of air passengers with international origins and destinations	84,656
Mexico		New York, NY (Kennedy, LaGuardia and Newark airports)	20,145
Total, number of air passengers with international origins and destinations	1,779	Miami, FL	12,484
Mexico City, D.F.	1,360	Los Angeles, CA	9,660
Cancún, Q. Roo	408	Honolulu, HI	5,397
Mérida, Yuc.	9	San Francisco, CA	4,965
Villahermosa, Tab.	0.9	Chicago, IL	4,100
Chetumal, Q. Roo	0.8	Atlanta, GA	2,833
Palenque, Chis.	0.5	Washington, DC (National and Dulles airports)	2,486
Tuxtla Gutiérrez, Chis.	0.2	Boston, MA	2,341
		Detroit, MI	2,159

KEY: C = Data are confidential.

NOTES: Gateway represents the point of entry or exit for air passengers with international (non-North American) origins and destinations.

Mexico: These seven airports represent all Mexican international air gateways.

SOURCES:

Mexico

Aeropuertos y Servicios Auxiliares. *Resultado del Movimiento Aeroportuario. Enero-Diciembre, 1996.* (Mexico City, D.F.: 1997).

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